

TOWN OF WEBSTER
Office of Selectmen
945 Battle Street/Rte. 127
Webster, NH 03303

4:03 pm Selectmen's Meeting – November 13, 2012 – Work Session

Present: Chairman George Cummings, Selectman Bruce Johnson and Selectman Roy Fanjoy; Police Chief Robert Dupuis, Fire Chief Colin Colby; Deputy Fire Chief Robert Wolinski; Financial Administrator Wendy Pinkham and Eric Shanley, Representative for Mainstay Technologies.

The purpose of this work session was to continue work on the 2013 budget.

Chairman Cummings started the meeting with Mr. Shanley presenting cost estimates for Webster's computer and consultant needs, which would include adding the Police and Fire Department needs. Mrs. Pinkham explained how expenses are disbursed in the budget lines. This cost does not include any hardware that may be needed. They discussed possible new technology.

Town Clerk Michele Derby met with the Board to address her budget requests, providing them with explanation of the changes proposed.

Fire Chief Colin Colby and Deputy Fire Chief Rob Wolinski provided his 2013 budget requests to the Board. He discussed the attempts to get a Thermal Imaging Camera through a grant, but without success. Chief Dupuis advised that he was seeking information via e-mails about a possible lease of a camera from the Air Force, but had not had a reply, as he too could use the camera and would like to share. Chief Colby had a price quote of \$6,500 for one like Hopkinton had, but had not included this in his budget request. Chief Colby and Deputy Chief Wolinski briefly discussed funding of the Capital Reserves for the Fire Department.

Chief Colby was in hopes of getting a flatbed and a skid tank with tool boxes down the side of the bed for the Forestry Truck, as there are issues with the current setup being used. He had applied for a grant but was not successful. Chief Colby and Deputy Chief Wolinski provided costs estimates of around \$7,000 advising that any purchase of this equipment now could be used on a future replacement truck expected in about four years. They explained the problems with the current equipment. There was discussion on possible funding available through the existing Capital Reserves.

Deputy Chief Wolinski had to leave, but Chief Colby continued with his 2013 operating budget and explanation of any changes. He went on to make his requests to fund the Fire Department Capital Reserves.

The Board discussed the timing for the completion of the budget process and the required public hearing for the budget.

5:58 pm Selectman Johnson made a motion to adjourn this portion of the meeting, seconded by Selectman Fanjoy and approved.

George C. Cummings, Chairman
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Bruce G. Johnson

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